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INFO AMEMBASSY KATHMANDU

C O N F I D E N T I A L SEOUL 7046

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, NP, KS

SUBJECT: FONMIN KARKI VISIT TO SEOUL

REF: KATHMANDU 3722

1. NEPALESE FONMIN KARKI PAID FOUR-DAY OFFICIAL VISIT TO SEOUL OCTOBER 17-20 AT INVITATION OF ROK FONMIN KIM DONG JO. HE HAD FULL SCHEDULE WHICH INCLUDED ONE-HOUR MEETING WITH PRESIDENT PARK, CALLS ON PRIMIN KIM CHONG PIL AND OTHER CABINET OFFICIALS, VISITS TO INDUSTRIAL SITES, AND ACCEPTANCE OF AN HONORARY DOCTORATE FROM TONGKUK UNIVERSITY.

2. THERE WAS NO JOINT COMMUNIQUE. ACCORDING TO MOFA, ROK SIDE HAD WANTED ONE BUT DROPPED ITS REQUEST WHEN KARKI EXPLAINED THAT NO SUCH DOCUMENT HAD BEEN ISSUED ON NEPALESE OFFICIAL VISITS TO PEKING AND PYONGYANG. MOFA SAID THAT NOTHING OF SUBSTANCE RESULTED FROM VISIT, ALTHOUGH FONMIN KIM DID PROMISE TO SEND A ROK ECONOMIC DELEGATION TO NEPAL BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR. ON UN, MOFA SAID THAT KARKI HAD EXPRESSED SOME PERSONAL DISMAY AT PRO-NORTH KOREAN STANCE OF CERTAIN ARAB COUNTRIES BUT THAT NEPALESE OFFICIAL POSITION OF EQUAL TREATMENT FOR TWO KOREAS APPEARED UNCHANGED.

3. ACCORDING TO MOFA, VISIT WAS MOSTLY OF A GOODWILL NATURE  
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AND RESULTED IN STRENGTHENED PERSONAL TIES BETWEEN KARKI AND

ROK OFFICIALS, PARTICULARLY ROK AMBASSADOR TO NEPAL HONG SOO HUI.  
MOFA SAID THAT FONMIN KIM HAS HAD FRIENDLY PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP  
WITH KARKI SINCE THE TWO GOLFED TOGETHER IN WASHINGTON DURING  
KIM'S TENURE AS AMBASSADOR THERE AND THAT VISIT HAD  
SERVED TO STRENGTHEN THIS TIE.  
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